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Contractor License Revocations

RICHMOND – The Virginia Board for Contractors issued 13 license revocations at its most recent meeting Tuesday, July 25. Following is a summary of the Board's actions.

Copies of the file orders are available online at www.dpor.virginia.gov under "License Lookup." Fines are deposited directly into the state Literary Fund, which is used solely for public education purposes such as school construction, renovation, and teacher retirement funding.

BRIAN P. DAILEY trading as BPD CONSTRUCTION PURCELLVILLE, VA

File Number 2005-05125

COMPLAINANT – Diana and John Farabaugh (South Riding, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Dailey failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; abandoned the project; failed to complete work for which he contracted; failed to satisfy a court judgment; and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705059096 and \$10,700 in fines.

File Number 2006-00435

COMPLAINANT – Judith and Robert Armentrout (Centreville, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Dailey failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; abandoned the project; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; failed to respond to an investigator and failed to notify the Board of an address change.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705059096 and \$6,200 in fines.

KIM'S HOME IMPROVEMENTS INC.

FALLS CHURCH, VA

File Number 2006-02968

COMPLAINANT – Donald Imgram and Constance Kagan (Great Falls, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Kim's failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; failed to complete work for which it contracted; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; failed to respond to an investigator and failed to notify the Board of an address change. BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2701032584 and \$8,200 in fines.

File Number 2006-03774

COMPLAINANT – Roger Boner (Arlington, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Kim's failed to satisfy a court judgment.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2701032584 and \$2,500 in fines.

MIRELA PATRICIA ROMERO trading as DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SPRINGFIELD, VA

File Number 2005-03591

COMPLAINANT – Mary and James Warlick (Arlington, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Romero failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; failed to obtain required building permits; abandoned the project; and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705073745 and \$4,100 in fines.

TODD NEAL THATCHER trading as ATTN. 2 DETAIL CHANTILLY, VA

File Number 2006-02722

COMPLAINANT – James Holdeman (Bluemont, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Thatcher failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; failed obtain a new license upon change in business entity; engaged in misconduct in the practice of contracting; abandoned the project; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and failed to satisfy a court judgment.

BOARD ACTION - Revocation of License No. 2705059483.

CLIFTON H. FITZGERALD, JR. trading as HOME WORKS OF SOUTHWEST VIRGINIA HILLSVILLE, VA

File Number 2005-04365

COMPLAINANT – Sylvia and David Wright (Blacksburg, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Fitzgerald practiced outside his license classification; made misrepresentation or false promise to influence, persuade or induce; failed to complete work for which he contracted; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705075330 and \$6,300 in fines.

CHRISTOPHER LEE TINGEN trading as C L TINGEN PAINT CONTRACTOR PETERSBURG, VA

File Number 2006-00341

COMPLAINANT – Harris Raskind (Glen Allen, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Tingen failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; and failed to satisfy a court judgment.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705081511 and \$2,300 in fines.

MINOR HOME REPAIR II INC. CHESAPEAKE, VA

File Number 2006-03545

COMPLAINANT – William Walter Brabble, Sr. (Chesapeake, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Minor failed to include all required provisions in the written contract; practiced outside its class of license; failed to obtain required building permits; demonstrated negligence or incompetence in the practice of contracting; abandoned the project; and retained funds related to uncompleted contract items.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705089208 and \$6,000 in fines.

CHESAPEAKE CIVIL CONSTRUCTORS INC. CHESAPEAKE, VA

File Number 2006-00535

COMPLAINANT – Stephen Alexander Homes LLC (Chesapeake, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Chesapeake Civil Constructors misrepresented its qualifications and demonstrated negligence or incompetence in the practice of contracting.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705085195 and \$5,000 in fines.

RIGHT TIME REMODELING LLC VIRGINIA BEACH, VA

File Number 2006-03117

COMPLAINANT – Elizabeth Caldwell (Portsmouth, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Right Time failed to obtain required building permits; abandoned the project; failed to complete work for which it contracted; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; failed to satisfy a court judgment; and practiced outside its class of license.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705099507.

RICK MULLINS trading as MULLINS CONTRACTING GLADE SPRING, VA

File Number 2006-00571

COMPLAINANT – Carolyn and William Chapman (Saltville, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Mullins failed to obtain written change orders; practiced outside his license class and specialty; abandoned the project; retained funds related to uncompleted contract items; failed to abate building code violations; and failed to respond to an investigator.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705071524 and \$7,750 in fines.

PREFERRED HOMES, INC. DANVILLE, VA

File Number 2005-02025

COMPLAINANT – Donald Keagy (Hardy, VA)

VIOLATIONS – Preferred Homes furnished substantially inaccurate information in obtaining its license; allowed its firm license to be used by another; and assisted an unlicensed contractor in violating Board regulations.

BOARD ACTION – Revocation of License No. 2705076758 and \$2,500 in fines.

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About DPOR and the Board for Contractors:

The Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR) regulates nearly 40 commercial occupations and certain professions. The agency licenses or certifies more than 300,000 individuals and businesses ranging from architects and contractors to cosmetologists and professional wrestlers.

DPOR investigates reports of regulatory violations by licensees; pursues complaints of criminal activity by unlicensed practitioners; responds to business-related consumer inquiries and requests for license checks; administers recovery funds for consumers harmed in contractor or real estate transactions; and conducts mediation services and public awareness campaigns.

The Board for Contractors licenses more than 100,000 Virginia businesses and individuals. The Board is composed of a Class A general contractor; a sub-contractor; contractors specializing in utilities, commercial and industrial buildings, single-family residences, and home improvements; a building supplier; a local building official; licensed tradesmen in plumbing, electrical, and heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC); and two citizen members.

The Board administers the Virginia Contractor Transaction Recovery Fund, which provides monetary relief to eligible consumers who incur losses through the improper and dishonest conduct of a licensed contractor. The fund is supported entirely by assessments paid by licensed contractors, not by any tax revenues.

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